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METHOD OF TREATING CHEMICAL CELLULOSE PULP

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Responsive to the "final" Official Action dated April 8, 2002, petition being hereby made for an extension of time of three (3) months, up to and including, October 8, 2002, please further amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please further amend the remaining pending claims herein as follows:1

21. (Three Times Amended) A method of treating chemical cellulose pulp from an alkaline pulping process, after cooking and preferably after oxygen delignification,

¹ Pursuant to Rule 121(c), a marked-up version of the amended claims appears in Appendix I hereto and shows all changes by underlining added language and bracketing deleted language. 10/10/2002 EHRILE1 00000016 09262912